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TAGS: EAIR, ICAO, US, UK
SUBJECT: CIVAIR: SLOW PROGRESS IN OBTAINING MLS
INFORMATION FROM CAA

REF: LONDON 3739

1. FCO UNDERSECRETARY BURROWS, IN MARCH 10 REPLY TO ECONOMIC MINISTER (SEE REFTEL), STATES FAA WILL GET ALL MLS (MICROWAVE LANDING SYSTEM) DATA IT HAS REQUESTED, WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS, ULTRA-VIOLET RECORDINGS AND ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING DATA. THE ARGUMENT IS THAT NEITHER IS NEEDED FOR COMPLETE EVALUATION OF THE COMPETING SYSTEMS, AND THAT, IN ADDITION, THE RECORDINGS ARE TOO DIFFICULT TO COPY. QUESTION OF COMPARABLE PRESENTATION BY CAA OF TRSB AND DOPPLER DATA IS TO BE SUBJECT OF A FURTHER LETTER. BURROWS ALSO TRANSMITS A LIST OF DATA FROM EARLIER CAA REQUESTS WHICH THE CAA STATES IS STILL OUTSTANDING.

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2. FAA MLS TEAM WAS GIVEN COPY OF BURROWS' LETTER BEFORE DEPARTURE AND SAID THEY WOULD INVESTIGATE STATUS OF CAA-REQUESTED ITEMS AND POSSIBLE RESPONSE TO OTHER POINTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE UPON ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON. EMBASSY LOOKS FORWARD TO RESULTS THAT INVESTIGATION. (FCO HAS SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED COPIES OF ANY INFORMATION, HOWEVER SCANTY, THAT FAA COLLECTED AT JFK DURING

DECEMBER AND JANUARY, INCLUDING THAT SHOWN DUTCH AIR ATTACHE.)

3. COMMENT: IT IS EMBASSY'S IMPRESSION THAT FCO HAS MADE SINCERE EFFORT, HAMPERED BY LACK OF PERSONNEL AND TECHNICAL COMPETENCE, TO BRING ABOUT MORE COMPLETE AND MORE RAPID CAA RESPONSE TO FAA REQUESTS. WHILE CAA PERFORMANCE STILL FAR FROM SATISFACTORY, WE BELIEVE IT HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT BETTER THAN MIGHT OTHERWISE HAVE BEEN THE CASE. FURTHERMORE, FCO'S FRUSTRATIONS IN DEALING WITH CAA MAY HELP TO KEEP MLS DISPUTE FROM SPILLING OVER INTO OTHER AREAS.

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